



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Jung et al. **DOCKET NO.** 8021-224 (SS-19575-US)
SERIAL NO: 10/822,384 **GROUP:** 2826
FILED: April 12, 2004 **EXAMINER:** Sandvik, Benjamin P.
FOR: **SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD OF LOCATING A
PREDETERMINED POINT ON THE SEMICONDUCTOR
DEVICE**

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 28, 2006 applicant provisionally elects the claims of Group I (claim nos. 1-16), with traverse. While the device of Group I and the method of Group II may be distinct for the reasons set forth by the Examiner, applicant believes that simultaneous examination will not present an undue burden. For example, the claims of Group I are drawn to a semiconductor device having dummy patterns and the claims of Group II are drawn to a method of counting the dummy patterns in a semiconductor device. The two Groups of claims include subject matters that are classified commonly in class 438. Further, applicant elects the specie disclosed in Figure 4 and claimed in claims 1-14.

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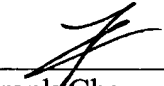
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Notwithstanding the above election of specie I, it is respectfully requested that a reasonable number of specie be kept in the same application.

Under such circumstances, the Examiner is encouraged to maintain all claims in the same application. See, MPEP § 803.

Early and favorable consideration of this application are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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